



MASENO UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2012/2013

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE
DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION WITH
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(CITY CAMPUS - SCHOOL BASED)

AEN 103: A HISTORY OF ENGLISH LANGUAGAGE

Date: 29th April, 2013

Time: 2.00 – 4.00pm

INSTRUCTIONS:

- ◆ Answer QUESTION ONE and any other TWO questions.

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**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER
TWO QUESTIONS.**

1. (a) Using a tree diagram, locate the place of the English Language in the Indo-European Family (10 mks)
(b) Discuss THREE features of Old English and show how THREE linguistic invasions affected the development of Old English (20 mks)
2. Account for the role of the Norman conquest in the development of the Middle English period and give SIX illustrations of the linguistic effects on English following the conquest. (20 mks)
3. Using examples, illustrate how the following factors have contributed to the growth of the English language (20 mks)
 - (i) Renaissance
 - (ii) Globalization and imperialism
 - (iii) Christianity
 - (iv) Shakespearian Works
4. "Is American English a bastardized version of British English?" Briefly compare and contrast FIVE features of American English and British English (10 mks)

(b) "Indian English deviates from Standard English". Outline the peculiar Syntactic, the morphological and phonological features of Indian English. (10 mks)
5. Discuss the socio-historical factors surrounding the emergence of pidgins and creoles. (20 mks)